

appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, and for other purposes.

S. 3089

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) were added as cosponsors of S. 3089, a bill to authorize the design and construction of a temporary education center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

S. 3091

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3091, a bill to implement the recommendations of the General Accounting Office on improving the administration of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921 by the Department of Agriculture.

S. 3101

At the request of Mr. ASHCROFT, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3101, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow as a deduction in determining adjusted gross income the deduction for expenses in connection with services as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 3145

At the request of Mr. BREAU, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3145, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the treatment under the tax-exempt bond rules of prepayments for certain commodities.

S. 3147

At the request of Mr. ROBB, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3147, a bill to authorize the establishment, on land of the Department of the Interior in the District of Columbia or its environs, of a memorial and gardens in honor and commemoration of Frederick Douglass.

S. 3152

At the request of Mr. ROTH, the names of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. FRIST), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3152, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for distressed areas, and for other purposes.

S. 3155

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3155, a bill to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Oskar Schindler and Varian Fry in recognition of their contributions to the Nation and humanity.

S. 3178

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr.

WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3178, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory separation age for Federal firefighters be made the same age that applies with respect to Federal law enforcement officers.

S. RES. 292

At the request of Mr. CLELAND, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 292, a resolution recognizing the 20th century as the "Century of Women in the United States."

S. RES. 365

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 365, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding recent elections in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and for other purposes.

SENATE RESOLUTION 369—RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE F. VENTO, OF MINNESOTA

Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. FEINGOLD) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 369

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Bruce F. Vento, late a Representative from the State of Minnesota.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns or recesses today, it stand adjourned or recessed as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Representative.

SENATE RESOLUTION 370—TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES RELATING TO SENATE ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN INTERPARLIAMENTARY INSTITUTIONS AND THE FACILITATION OF FOREIGN INTERCHANGES IN THE UNITED STATES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. HELMS submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 370

SECTION 1. INCREASE IN AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES RELATING TO FOREIGN INTERCHANGES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The first section of Senate Resolution 247, Eighty-seventh Congress, agreed to February 7, 1962 (as amended by section 3(c) of Senate Resolution 281, Ninety-sixth Congress, agreed to March 11, 1980) is amended by striking "\$25,000" and inserting "\$30,000".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date on which this resolution is agreed to and shall apply to fiscal year 2000 and each fiscal year thereafter.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT ACT OF 2000

LEAHY (AND CAMPBELL) AMENDMENT NO. 4304

Mr. BROWNBACK (for Mr. LEAHY (for himself and Mr. CAMPBELL)) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 2413) to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to clarify the procedures and conditions for the award of matching grants for the purchase of armor vests; as follows:

On page 5, redesignate subsection (e) on line 18 as subsection (f) and insert after line 17 the following:

(e) INTERIM DEFINITION OF ARMOR VEST.—For purposes of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended by this Act, the meaning of the term "armor vest" (as defined in section 2503 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 3796611-2)) shall, until the date on which a final NIJ Standard 0115.00 is first fully approved and implemented, also include body armor which has been found to meet or exceed the requirements for protection against stabbing established by the State in which the grantee is located.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that an associate in my office, Chad Luck, be granted the privilege of the floor during my discussion of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

INCREASE IN AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES RELATING TO SENATE ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH PARTICIPATION IN INTERPARLIAMENTARY INSTITUTIONS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 370, submitted earlier by Senator HELMS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 370) to increase the authorization for expenditures relating to Senate activities in connection with participation in interparliamentary institutions and the facilitation of foreign interchanges in the United States, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 370) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 370

SECTION 1. INCREASE IN AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES RELATING TO FOREIGN INTERCHANGES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The first section of Senate Resolution 247, Eighty-seventh Congress, agreed to February 7, 1962 (as amended by section 3(c) of Senate Resolution 281, Ninety-sixth Congress, agreed to March 11, 1980) is amended by striking “\$25,000” and inserting “\$30,000”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date on which this resolution is agreed to and shall apply to fiscal year 2000 and each fiscal year thereafter.

MODIFICATION TO AMENDMENT NO. 4302 TO H.R. 2389

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that previously agreed to amendment No. 4302 to H.R. 2389 be modified with the change that is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The modification is as follows:

Add the following subsection at the end of Section 102:

“SEC. 102(e). TIME FOR PAYMENT.—The payment to an eligible State under this section for a fiscal year shall be made as soon as practicable after the end of that fiscal year.”

Add the following subsection at the end of Section 103:

“SEC. 103(d). TIME FOR PAYMENT.—The payment to an eligible county under this section for a fiscal year shall be made as soon as practicable after the end of that fiscal year.”

INCREASE OF FEES CHARGED TO EMPLOYERS RELATIVE TO H-1B NONIMMIGRANT WORKERS

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5362 which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5362) to increase the amount of fees charged to employers who are petitioners for the employment of H-1B non-immigrant workers, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 5362) was read the third time and passed.

BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT ACT OF 2000

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 652, S. 2413.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2413) to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to clarify the procedures and conditions for the award of matching grants for the purchase of armor vests.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

AMENDMENT NO. 4304

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, Senators CAMPBELL and LEAHY have an amendment at the desk, and I ask for its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Kansas [Mr. BROWNBACk], for Mr. LEAHY, for himself and Mr. CAMPBELL, proposes an amendment numbered 4304.

The amendment is as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 4304

(Purpose: To provide an interim definition for armor vests)

On page 5, redesignate subsection (e) on line 18 as subsection (f) and insert after line 17 the following:

(e) INTERIM DEFINITION OF ARMOR VEST.—For purposes of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended by this Act, the meaning of the term “armor vest” (as defined in section 2503 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 3796611-2)) shall, until the date on which a final NIJ Standard 0115.00 is first fully approved and implemented, also include body armor which has been found to meet or exceed the requirements for protection against stabbing established by the State in which the grantee is located.

Mr. BROWNBACk. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be agreed to, the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4304) was agreed to.

The bill (S. 2413), as amended, was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 2413

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2000”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) the number of law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty would significantly decrease if every law enforcement officer in the United States had the protection of an armor vest;

(2) according to studies, between 1985 and 1994, 709 law enforcement officers in the United States were killed in the line of duty;

(3) the Federal Bureau of Investigation estimates that the risk of fatality to law enforcement officers while not wearing an armor vest is 14 times higher than for officers wearing an armor vest;

(4) according to studies, between 1985 and 1994, bullet-resistant materials helped save the lives of more than 2,000 law enforcement officers in the United States; and

(5) the Executive Committee for Indian Country Law Enforcement Improvements reports that violent crime in Indian country has risen sharply, despite a decrease in the national crime rate, and has concluded that there is a “public safety crisis in Indian country”.

SEC. 3. MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ARMOR VESTS.

(a) MATCHING FUNDS.—Section 2501(f) of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 379611(f)) is amended—

(1) by striking “The portion” and inserting the following:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The portion”;

(2) by striking “subsection (a)” and all that follows through the period at the end of the first sentence and inserting “subsection (a)—

“(A) may not exceed 50 percent; and

“(B) shall equal 50 percent, if—

“(i) such grant is to a unit of local government with fewer than 100,000 residents;

“(ii) the Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance determines that the quantity of vests to be purchased with such grant is reasonable; and

“(iii) such portion does not cause such grant to violate the requirements of subsection (e).”;

(3) by striking “Any funds” and inserting the following:

“(2) INDIAN ASSISTANCE.—Any funds”.

(b) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Section 2501(g) of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 379611(g)) is amended to read as follows:

“(g) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Funds available under this part shall be awarded, without regard to subsection (c), to each qualifying unit of local government with fewer than 100,000 residents. Any remaining funds available under this part shall be awarded to other qualifying applicants.”

(c) APPLICATIONS.—Section 2502 of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 379611-1) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(d) APPLICATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH PURCHASES.—If an application under this section is submitted in conjunction with a transaction for the purchase of armor vests, grant amounts under this section may not be used to fund any portion of that purchase unless, before the application is submitted, the applicant—

“(1) receives clear and conspicuous notice that receipt of the grant amounts requested in the application is uncertain; and

“(2) expressly assumes the obligation to carry out the transaction, regardless of whether such amounts are received.”

(d) DEFINITION OF ARMOR VEST.—Section 2503(1) of part Y of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 379611-2(1)) is amended—

(1) by striking “means body armor” and inserting the following: “means—

“(A) body armor”;

(2) by adding “or” at the end; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(B) body armor that has been tested through the voluntary compliance testing